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MAP AND COMPASS FOR FIREFIGHTERS
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BACKGROUND:

Map and Compass for Firefighters (NFES 2554) is pre-course work that is directly associated with S-244, Field Observer, and S-245, Display Processor. This publication is also used by the fire behavior courses, S-346, Situation Unit Leader, and other courses as a reference.

CURRENT STATUS:

S-244, Field Observer, and S-245, Display Processor, are currently being revised. The SMEs for both courses recommend that the pre-course work, *Map and Compass for Firefighters* also needs to be revised.

The revised version of *Map and Compass for Firefighters* needs to be a stand alone publication and “pre-course work” should not be on the cover page for the following reasons:

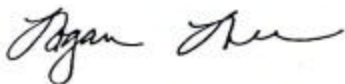
- This publication is part of the curriculum in several courses.
- The use of this publication is similar to how the *Wildland Fire Suppression Tactics Reference Guide* (NFES 1256) is used in courses. The *Tactics Reference Guide* is a stand alone publication.

RECOMMENDATION:

The *Map and Compass for Firefighters* becomes a stand alone publication when it is revised; upon revision the name of this publication will be changed to *Basic Land Navigation* to better fit its updated content.

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